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SUBJECT: PRESS REVIEW: PLO

1. CAIRO'S MARCH 30 ARABIC LANGUAGE DAILIES REPORT THAT FONMIN FAHMY RECEIVED PLO LEADE ABU IYAD ON MARCH 29. DISCUSSION REVOLVED AROUND "COORDINATION BETWEEN EGYPT AND PLO CONCERNING CURRENT ISSUES". AL-AHRAM REPORTS THAT FAHMY LATER INTRODUCED ABU IYAD TO VISITING CHAIRMAN OF ARAB-JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION. DURING SUBSEQUENT MEETING, WHICH AHRAM BILLS AS "FIRST DIALOGUE BETWEEN PLO AND GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN", THE QUESTION OF EXTENDING AN INVITATION FROM GOJ TO PLO WAS REPORTEDLY DISCUSSED. HOWEVER, VOICE OF PALESTINE IN ITS MARCH 29 EVENING BROADCAST ANNOUNCED THAT FORMAL INVITATION HAD BEEN EXTENDED TO ARAFAT TO VISIT JAPAN.

2. AHRAM "LEARNED" THAT "HIGH LEVEL" MEETING WILL OCCUR IN CAIRO BETWEEN GOE AND "PALESTINIAN COMMAND"; PLO DEL WILL ARRIVE "SOON" FOR THIS MEETING. (COMMENT: WITH QADDUMI AND ABU IYAD  
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ALREADY HERE, AHRAM MAY BE HINTING YET AGAIN THAT ARAFAT

WILL COME TO CAIRO TO SEE FAHMY AND SADAT.)

3. VOICE OF PALESTINE BROADCASTS MARCH 29 DID NOT REPORT SADAT SPEECH AS INDIVIDUAL NEWS ITEM BUT COVERED IT IN SECONDARY FASHION IN ITS COMMENTARY ON CAIRO NEWSPAPER COVERAGE OF SPEECH. VOP REPORTS CONCENTRATED ON SADAT'S ARAB SOLIDARITY REMARKS; NO MENTION MADE OF EXTENSION OF UNEF MANDATE OR OF REOPENING OF CANAL.

4. IHSAN 'ABD AL-QADUS IN MARCH 30 AL-AHRAM EDITORIAL AIMED AT CRITICS OF SADAT'S CANAL POLICY CHASTISES "CERTAIN ILL-WILLED PEOPLE" WHO COULD CALL REOPENING OF CANAL TANTAMOUNT TO ENDING STATE OF WAR. HE POINTS OUT THAT 1948, 1956 AND 1967 WARS ALL BEGAN WHILE CANAL WAS OPEN.  
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